Guinn (HB 715) Act No. 482

<u>New law</u> creates the Flyway Byway District in Jefferson Davis Parish to stimulate economic development and tourism within the district boundaries.

New law provides the boundaries of the district.

<u>New law</u> provides for the governance of the district by a board of commissioners, appointed as follows:

- (1) Two members appointed by the Jefferson Davis Parish police jury.
- (2) Two members appointed by the Jefferson Davis Parish Tourist Commission.
- (3) One member appointed by the governing authority of the town of Welsh.
- (4) One member appointed by the Jefferson Davis Parish Economic Development Commission.
- (5) One member appointed by the Jefferson Davis and Cameron Parish legislative delegation.
- (6) The secretary of the Dept. of Transportation and Development, or his designee, and the secretary of the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, or his designee, shall serve on the board but neither shall be a voting member nor count toward the presence of a quorum.

<u>New law</u> provides that members shall serve four-year terms and further provides that any vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. Members shall be eligible for reappointment.

<u>New law</u> provides that members shall serve without compensation but may receive reimbursement for expenses directly related to the governance of the district. Provides that the domicile of the board shall be in Jefferson Davis Parish.

<u>New law</u> further provides that the board is authorized to adopt bylaws for its governance and that a majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business.

<u>New law</u> provides the powers and duties of the district, which include: the power to receive contributions, grants, donations, or appropriations of money; the power to enter into cooperative endeavor agreements; the power to hire employees; the power to contract; and the power to acquire servitudes within the district for the preservation of the natural beauty of the area.

<u>New law</u> further provides that state departments and agencies are authorized to provide advice and services to the district.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 33:4581)